

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 1037

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By Ms. Flanagan of Leominster, petition of Jennifer L. Flanagan and others for legislation to ensure adequate nursing services at public schools. Education.

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

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AN ACT TO ENSURE ADEQUATE NURSING SERVICES.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Section 53 of chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby  
2 amended in its entirety to read as follows:—

3 Section 53. The School committee shall appoint school physi-  
4 cians, nurse practitioners and registered nurses, shall assign them  
5 to the public schools within its jurisdiction, shall provide them  
6 with all the proper facilities for the performance of their duties,  
7 and shall assign one or more physicians or nurse practitioners  
8 operating under the direction of the physician to the examination  
9 of children who apply for health certificates required by section  
10 eighty-seven of chapter one hundred forty-nine, but in cities  
11 where the medical inspection hereinafter prescribed is substan-  
12 tially provided by the board of health, said board shall appoint and  
13 assign the school physicians, nurse practitioners and registered  
14 nurses, provided however, that in no instance shall there be an  
15 assignment of less than one full-time registered nurse per school.